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REFERENCES

- Submitted herewith is a Chinese Office Action with English translation for the Examiner's consideration. Also submitted is a PTO-1449 listing WO 2004/079388 A1 which corresponds to US 7,039,546 which was cited by an Examiner on February 3, 2009.
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